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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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March 31, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 31, 2003, setting a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 31, 2004, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification and Abstract begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 17.

Remarks are included following the amendments.